SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: ROBERT WETENKAMP, RN

ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

License No. NM R36798, Licensee.

WHEREAS, Robert Wetenkamp, RN ("Licensee"), is licensed to practice as a nurse in the State of New Mexico and currently holds a multi-state license number in New Mexico, R36798;

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") received a Motion for Summary Suspension and Affidavit Supporting Motion for Summary Suspension requesting the Board issue an Order for Summary Suspension of Licensee's privilege to practice in South Dakota pursuant to SDCL § 1-26-29; and

WHEREAS, the Board considered the Motion and Affidavit for Summary Suspension and, after meeting and discussing the Motion and Affidavit on the 13th day of March, 2019, approved this Order of Summary Suspension by a majority vote of 8-0.

It is hereby ORDERED:

- 1. The Board has a statutory obligation to protect the health, safety and welfare set forth in SDCL § 36-9, including the protection of the public from unsafe nursing practices and practitioners.
 - 2. The Board has jurisdiction over the Licensee and the subject matter of this Order.
- 3. The Board accepts the facts contained in the Affidavit Supporting Motion for Summary Suspension and specifically finds, pursuant to SDCL 1-26-29, that the actions of the Licensee as set forth and incorporated herein from the Affidavit endanger the public health, safety

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and welfare, and imperatively require emergency action in that Licensee may endanger the health and

safety of those persons who are or will be entrusted to her care in the future and that these are matters

of a nature that would constitute further grounds for discipline under SDCL § 36-9-49.

4. Based upon these findings, Licensee's privilege to practice nursing in South Dakota

is hereby summarily suspended.

5. Licensee is hereby notified that any practice of or holding herself out as a nurse

during the terms of this Order of Summary Suspension in South Dakota is a violation of SDCL § 36-

9-68(5).

6. This action is reportable discipline and will be published in the Board's newsletter

and posted on its website and reported into the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) as required

by law.

7. This summary suspension continues pending proceedings for revocation or other

action. Contested case proceedings under SDCL 1-26 shall be promptly instituted so that the Board

may enter a final determination regarding disciplinary or corrective action after a formal contested

case hearing.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2019.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Gloria Damgaard, RN, MS

Its: Executive Director